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MEMORANDUM FOR Warrior Transition Brigade - National Capital Region (WTB-NCR)

SUBJECT: Warrior Transition Brigade- National Capital Region (WTB-NCR) Policy Letter # 10 – Sponsorship

- 1. REFERENCE: AR 612-11, The Army Sponsorship Program
- 2. APPLICABILITY: This policy applies to all military personnel assigned or attached to the Warrior Transition Brigade- National Capital Region (WTB-NCR). This policy extends to Bethesda, Fort Meade and Fort Belvoir WTUs.
- 3. GENERAL: The sponsorship program is a vital aspect of maintaining a positive command climate. Commanders are charged with the difficult task of maintaining a fluid sponsorship program where all Soldiers (and Families) are proficiently sponsored into the unit and are in the right spirit prior to beginning a new job. If Soldiers are not properly sponsored, they will have a tendency to unnecessarily begin their tours with negative perceptions of the command.

4. POLICY:

- a. Upon receiving notification of an inbound Soldier, the Brigade S-1 section will coordinate with the Command Sergeant Major for appropriate unit placement of enlisted Soldiers and the Brigade Commander for the placement of officers. The S-1 section will notify the gaining unit's First Sergeant (1SG). The 1SG will coordinate with the gaining platoon or section to appoint a sponsor. The sponsor should be of equal to or greater rank to the inbound Soldier. Also the sponsor should not be on orders to PCS, which will help ensure a smooth transition for the incoming Soldier. If possible, appoint married sponsors to inbound married Soldiers.
- b. Sponsors will contact the inbound Soldier by telephone, email or letter within one week of notification.
- c. Inbound Soldiers will receive a Welcome Letter from the Brigade Commander and a Welcome Packet from their sponsor.
- 5. The point of contact for this policy is the Brigade S-1 at 301-400-2305.

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